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Jan. 13, H. Y & HERMANOS, for Manila.

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Jan. 13, DAY DAWN, for Yokohama.

Jan. 13, CHYEE SANG, for Bangkok.

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Jan. 13, CALDEW, for Saigon.

Clearances.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, JANUARY 13TH.

Valeria, str., for Yokohama.

Music, for Whampoa.

Mizfi, for Saigon.

L. D., for Saigon.

Passengers.

None.

Reports.

None.

Auction Sale To-day.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Sundry Articles.

Business Announcements.

FOR SALE PRIVATELY.

THE well-known Pure horse "BADOWA." *Also,*
A very handsome Chestnut PONY gelding, recently imported from Australia.
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AN Elementary Course of French Lessons will take place every Monday and Thursday, from half-past eight to half past ten.
L. THEVENIN,
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tf 2101 Hongkong, 5th November, 1869

FOR SALE.

THE well-known North German Schooner "GEORG" as she now lays here in the harbor, with full rigging and 2 years old copper. Apply to
EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co.
tf 2171 Hongkong, 17th November, 1869.

JUST Published by the undersigned, Portraits of H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh, K.G., K.T., Viceroy of H.M.S. *Galatea*, the Pulo Leading, and the City Decorations.
W. TRUSCOTT & SON,
Commercial Bank Buildings.
2207 Hongkong, 22nd November, 1869.

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FOR a term of years, with early possession, those desirable premises in Bank Buildings situated between the Agra Bank and Compagnie d'Escompte, at late in the occupation of the Bank of Hindustan, China, and Japan. The principal building is very suitable for division into Offices or Chambers.
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tf 697 Hongkong, 17th April, 1867.

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THE HOUSE and OFFICE, No. 9, *Gough Street*, at present occupied by Messrs. KIRCHNER, HOGES & Co. Apply to
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tf 1274 Hongkong, 1st July, 1869.

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THE Company call the attention of Ship Owners, Consignees, and Masters of Vessels to their establishments at HONGKONG and WHAMPOA, for the DOCKING and REPAIRS of Vessels of all classes.

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The Company have also opened a ship Yard by the side of the HONGKONG Dock, and are ready to contract for the construction of Steamers or Sailing Vessels of any size.

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The Steam Tug *Little Orphan* can be engaged to tow Vessels to sea, or berth them, at reasonable rates.

For Particulars apply to
ROB. S. WALKER,
Secretary
Company's Office, Queen's Road, Corner of Tea House Lane.
tf 2059 Hongkong, 1st November, 1869.

NOTICE.

ALEXANDRE BOYER,
REMOVED from premises corner of *Wellington* and *D'Aguilar Streets* to premises lately occupied by Messrs. BOWRA & Co., *Queen's Road.*
tf 29 Hongkong, 5th January, 1870.

NOTICE.

IN THE ESTATE OF HENRY DAVIS MARGESSON, DECEASED.

LETTERS of Administration, with the will annexed, of the Estate of HENRY DAVIES MARGESSON, late of Hongkong and Macao, Merchant, deceased, having been granted by the Supreme Court of Hongkong, in its Probate Jurisdiction, to the Undersigned, as Attorneys for the Executors, all persons indebted to the said Estate are hereby required to pay the amount of their debts to the undersigned without delay, and all persons having claims against the said Estate are required to send in particulars thereof, with vouchers, to the undersigned (addressed to the care of T. G. LINSTEAD) on or before the Thirtieth day of June next, after which date no claims will be admitted.
Dated the Third day of December, A.D., 1869.
W. KESWICK,
T. G. LINSTEAD,
Administrators.
tf 2292

NOTICE.

IN THE ESTATE OF DOUGLAS LAPRAIK, DECEASED.

PROBATE of the last Will and Testament of DOUGLAS LAPRAIK, formerly of Hongkong, and lately of Aston, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, one of the Executors in the said Will named, all persons indebted to the said Estate are hereby required to pay the amount of their debts forthwith. Persons having claims against the Estate are hereby required to send in particulars of their claims to the undersigned, at the Offices of Messrs. DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., or to HENRY C. CALDWELL, Esq., Solicitor, on or before the 31st day of January, 1870, after which date no claims will be received or admitted.
Dated Hongkong, 9th day of July, 1869.
R. E. BAKER,
Executor.
tf 1342

Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL—5,000,000 of Dollars.

Court of Directors:—
Chairman—GEORGE F. HEARD, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—JULIUS MENKE, Esq.
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S. D. Sassoon, Esq. — R. A. Belilios, Esq.
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HONGKONG.
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VICTOR KRESSER, *Chief Manager.*
Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1869.
LF 10637

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

SECURITY
SHOULD BE THE FIRST CONSIDERATION IN INSURANCE TRANSACTIONS.

THE Directors of the Royal Insurance Company have the pleasure of supplying the following information to the public, as evidence of the ample security they afford to their assurers:—

THE CAPITAL

of the Company, available for the purpose of meeting any unusual calamity happening to the Assured, is

TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

The amount actually paid up is £288,495. This, with the Accumulated Funds in Hand, makes the invested resources of the Company upwards of ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND POUNDS, which amount is invested as follows:—

Invested Funds of the Royal Insurance Company, 30th June, 1869.

Real Property owned by the Company	£219,571	11 3
Mortgages on Freehold Property £30,000 Received 3 per cent.	32,500	0 0
Consols	28,285	1 3
India Government, 5 per cent. Debentures	100,000	0 0
English Railway Debentures	59,090	17 7
First-class English Railway Preference and Guaranteed Stocks	335,476	11 11
Loans to Local Authorities of various towns in Great Britain, who have obtained the sanction of the Secretary of State to borrow the amounts	145,560	12 6
Bonds of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board	52,341	14 8
Bonds of the British and Irish Magnetic Telegraph Co.	10,000	0 0
Bonds of the Liverpool Corporation	5,100	0 0
United States Government Stocks	101,339	7 10
Canada Bonds and Canada Dominion Stock	31,105	11 6
Short Loans on first-class English Dividend-paying Stocks, with margins from 20 to 50 per cent. on market values	477,165	0 0
Loans on Security of Life Policies	53,938	8 5
	£1,672,356	16 11

The above is a complete list of the Investments of the Company on the date specified, in addition to which the funds are still further increased, by amounts constantly varying at different periods, in the hands of the Bankers and the Company's Agents.

At 31st Dec. 1868, these stood at £169,089 2 0

The Accounts of the Life Department for the year ending 31st December, 1868, exclusive of Subsidiaries:—

Funds in Hand at the last Quinquennial Valuation, 31st Dec. 1864	£621,431	15 5
Added to 31st December, 1865	103,146	7 3
" " " 1866	124,103	3 1
" " " 1867	128,583	5 10
" " " 1868	144,945	12 2
Total Accumulation of the Life Department on 31st December, 1868, exclusive of Subsidiaries	£1,122,275	8 1
Capital	£1,000,000	0 0

The Directors also think it desirable to State that THE BUSINESS OF THE "ROYAL" HAS NEVER BEEN AMALGAMATED WITH THAT OF ANY OTHER COMPANY.

And that the LIABILITY of its Shareholders is UNLIMITED.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents.
2173 Hongkong, 6th November, 1869.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Marine risks at current rates.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
tf 471 Hongkong, 6th March, 1868.

LONDON AND ORIENTAL STEAM TRANSIT INSURANCE OFFICE.
137, LEADENHALL STREET, LONDON.
JAMES LACELEY & Co.—*Managers.*
ESTABLISHED 1843.

THE Undersigned is authorised to accept risks on behalf of this Office, by First Class Steamers.
W. MACALLAY, *Agent.*
tf Hongkong, 1st July, 1867

MERCHANTS' MUTUAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

ENGAGED EXCLUSIVELY IN MARINE INSURANCE.
Paid up Capital—$500,000.00.

THE Undersigned having been duly appointed Agents of the above Company, are prepared to accept Marine Risks on the usual terms.
OLYPHANT & Co.
tf 1292 Hongkong, 2nd July, 1869.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $50,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored thereon.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
tf Hongkong, 24th August, 1864.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Sole Agents for the Sale of their Goods in Hongkong and China by Messrs. J. & R. Tennant, Glasgow, and Messrs. David Corsar & Sons Arbroath.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
tf 419 Hongkong, January, 1867.

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CHILDREN not over Twelve (12) years of age, Half Fare; under Five (5) years of age, FREE.

100 POUNDS OF BAGGAGE (for adult passenger) FREE. 50 POUNDS OF BAGGAGE (for child) between 5 and 12 years of age, FREE.

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SAN FRANCISCO.

THROUGH FREIGHTS from SAN FRANCISCO to NEW YORK and other Eastern Cities, contracted through at low rates.
MARK GOODS "CARE C. P. R. R."

MONEY SAVED by purchasing TICKETS at the Company's Office in San Francisco.
CHAS. CROCKER,
General Superintendent.

T. H. GOODMAN,
General Passenger Agent.
September, 1869. [1914

GUARDIAN
FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 11, LOMBARD STREET, LONDON, E.C.
ESTABLISHED 1821,
and empowered by special Acts of Parliament.

Subscribed Capital—£2,000,000, Sterling.

THE Undersigned having been duly appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to take risks against Fire, on the usual terms.
OLYPHANT & Co.
tf 2317 Hongkong, 7th December, 1869.

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE Market Circulars, prepared by the Chamber, will in future be issued *late on the afternoon* of the day preceding the departure of the fortnightly P. & O. Mail Steamers. Subscribers are requested to send for their copies between the hours of 4 P.M. and midnight.
J. W. WOOD,
Secretary.
Club Chambers,
Hongkong, 20th July, 1869. tf 1402

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to Furnish the Undersigned with a list of Premia contributed by them up to the 31st October last, to afford the first division of the 25% Profit reserved for the Contributors to the Company.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
General Agents.
2m 43 Hongkong, 7th January, 1870.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

THE General Dividend of Dollars Four Hundred ($400) will be payable at the Office of the Company, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants, on and after the 18th instant.
By order,
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
General Agents.
Jan 2375 Hongkong, 16th December, 1869.

THOMPSON & Co.,
SHIPBROKERS, GENERAL STORE-KEEPERS, AND AGENTS,
AUCTIONEERS, COAL & COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
PAGODA ISLAND, FOOCHOW.
N.B.—Dry and commodious Godowns for storage at the Anchorage. tf E Jan. 3

BEKANNTMACHUNG.

DER Unterzeichnete macht hiermit bekannt, dass er, auf Veranlassung Sr. Excellenz des Herrn Baron von Rehfues, Bevollmächtigter Minister und Ausserordentlicher Gesandte für den Nordduetschen Bund in Peking, dahin beschieden worden ist, dass, so lange als kein Norddeutscher Consul ernannt sei, die Nordeutschen Interessen in Swatow durch die chinesischen authorities hierselbst und, nur besondere, durch die Zollbehörde gewahrt worden sollen.
Zollamt Swatow 20 Decbr, 1869.
F. KLEINWACHTER,
Zollduetscher.

NOTIFICATION.

IT is hereby notified that the Undersigned, at the instance of H.E. the North German Minister in Pekin, has received instructions that, in the absence of a North German Consul, North German interests at Swatow are to be watched over by the Chinese authorities, and, in particular, by the Customs.
Office of Maritime Customs,
Swatow, 20th December, 1869.
F. KLEINWACHTER,
Commissioner of Customs.
142 2432

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tf 937 Nagasaki, Japan.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sales Room, *Queen's Road,*

THIS DAY,
the 14th instant, at Noon,—
An Invoice of EMBROIDERIES, comprising Linen CHEMISETTES, COLLARS, CUFFS, SLEEVES, &c., &c.
2 new Billiard CLOTHS.
2 Cases, each 25 24 lbs. Bottles French BUTTER.
10 dozen 2 lbs. Tins Roast BEEF.
10 " " CARROTS.
10 " " BEETS.
10 " " TURNIPS.
10 " " TOMATOES.
10 " " ½ lb. Tins SALMON.
An Invoice of unsorted GILMAN'S STORES.
4 Bales Cheesecloth, &c., &c., &c.
Also.
Terms of SALE—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.
84, Hongkong, 13th January, 1870.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

HORSE AND CARRIAGE SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, on the Parade Ground (granted by kind permission of the Commandant of the Garrison), on

TUESDAY,
the 18th instant, at 4 past 4 P.M.—
A Pair of Young Manila Carriage PONIES, unbroken.
A Brown Manila Saddle PONY, has been in harness.
A White PONY, has been ridden mild driven.
The Racing Pony "KAILOO."
A handsome Japanese PONY, quiet to ride or drive.
A Grey North China Saddle PONY, very fast. Other HORSES and CARRIAGES, which will shortly be advertised.
Also,
Two COWS and a BULL.
Terms of SALE—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all errors of description, at Purchasers' risk on fall of the hammer.
77 Hongkong, 12th January, 1870.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

SATURDAY,
the 22nd January, 1870, at noon,
At Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.'s Godowns, *East Point*—
(In excuse of the advertisement).
The following ARTICLES, saved from the wreck of Steamer *Fung-Suey*:—2 Hand Pumps with Hose, 5 Water Closet Seats, 1 Donkey Pumps, 2 Sets Valve Cylinder head, 1 Air Pump, 2 Sides, 1 Gallery Pump, 1 Starting bar for engine, with Gear, 1 Turotile Valve, 1 Set Cylinder Springs, Deck Scuppers, 3 Hair Pump Blocks, 1 Set Gilt Cornice Brasses, Connecting Rods, 1 Set Head Lights, 2 Steam Gauges, 1 Vacuum, 1 Engine room Clock, Copper, Brass, and Iron Pipes, Oil Brass and Iron Brass Valves, Water Cocks for Boilers, Tops and Spanners with a die plate, 1 Capstan and Gear, 2 Anchors, Chain Cables, 2 Metallic Boats, &c., &c., &c.
Terms of SALE—Cash on delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
THOMAS WALLACE,
Auctioneer.
19 Hongkong, 3rd January, 1870.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at No. 6, *Shelly Street*, on

TUESDAY,
the 25th instant, at 2 P.M.
(The Property of a gentleman retiring from housekeeping)—
The choice assortment of FURNITURE, GLASSWARE, CROCKERY, CURIOS, &c., &c., comprising: Dining TABLE, CHAIRS, COUCHES, PICTURES, Bamboo BOX, MIRRORS, Dinner SERVICE, GLASSWARE, CUTLERY, Electro PLATED WARE, CARPETS, BEDSTEADS, WARDROBES, WASH-STANDS, CHESTS OF DRAWERS, &c., &c., &c.
Also.
The three handsome ENGRAVINGS, "Black Brunswicker," "Ord. r of Release," and "Prussian Royalist."
Small bore RIFLE, BOWLING PIECE, Soldier RIFLE, &c., &c., &c.
Terms of SALE—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.
60 Hongkong, 10th January, 1870.

MORRIS & CO.,
AUCTIONEERS,
NEWS AND COMMISSION AGENTS,
WELLINGTON STREET.
tf 647 Hongkong, 2nd October, 1869.

E. R. HANDLEY,
(LATE PATERSON & HANDLEY),
HOUSE & SHIP PLUMBER, COPPER-SMITH,
ZINC WORKER, AND GAS FITTER.
16, *Queen's Road West.*
tf 1014 Hongkong, 25th May, 1869.

L. FRICKEL & Co.,
SHIPCHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS, GENERAL STOREKEEPERS,
AND
COMMISSION AGENTS,
tf 14221 QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG. [Agt

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C. H. SPEAR,
Agent.
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THE CHINA AND JAPAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

COPIES of the Deed of Settlement, and Forms of Application for Shares in the above Company may now be obtained at the Office of the Undersigned.
WM. A. PUSTAU & Co.
tf 2310 Hongkong, 7th December, 1869.

THE CHINA AND JAPAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

CAPITAL, 1,500,000 TAELS SHANGHAI SILVER.
IN 9,000 SHARES OF 500 TAELS EACH.
Paid up Capital, Tls. 900,000, OR Tls. 100 PER SHARE.

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R. W. LITTLE, Esq., of Messrs Little & Co.
E. PRIMSE, Esq., of Messrs Wm. Pustau & Co.
J. B. ROBERTSON, Esq., of Messrs Butt, Purdon & Co.
J. F. H. TRAUTMANN, Esq., of Messrs Trautmann & Co.

Head Office, Shanghai.
Secretaries, pro tem., TRAUTMANN & Co.

Counsel to the Company.
N. J. HANNEN, Esq., *Barrister at Law.*

London:
COMMITTEE OF THREE DIRECTORS.
Agents, Messrs. ROBT. BENSON & Co.

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" Hankow.....F. MAJOR, Esq.
" Foochow.....Messrs. JOHN FORBES & Co.
" Yokohama.... " ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
" Singapore..... " HARRISON, SMITH & Co.

THE Company will commence business in January next, or as soon after as the Directors shall have been enabled to allot the Shares.

The Company will be a permanent one.

The Net Profits will be divided every year as follows: 80 per cent will be returned as Bonus to *all Contributors* of business, *rateably in proportion* to the amount of Net Premia contributed. Interest at the rate of 12 per cent. per annum on the paid up Capital will be paid to the Shareholders, and the Balance of the Net Profits carried to the Reserve Fund.

When the Reserve Fund shall have reached Tls. 800,000 the Net Profits will be divided as follows: 80 per cent. to all Contributors of Business; 20 per cent. to the Reserve Fund; and 20 per cent. to the Shareholders.

When the Reserve Fund shall have reached Tls. 500,000 the Net Profits will then be divided as follows: 80 per cent to all Contributors of Business; and 70 per cent to the Shareholders.

The Funds will be in the hands of the Directors both at Shanghai and London, and also at such places where the business proves large enough to warrant a Committee of Directors.

Messrs TRAUTMANN & Co. will officate as Secretaries till 31st December, 1870, by which time the necessary arrangements will be completed for securing the services of a qualified Secretary from England.

For Forms of Application for Shares, and Copies of the Deed of Settlement, apply to the undersigned.
TRAUTMANN & Co.,
Secretaries, pro tem.
2254 Shanghai, 23rd November, 1869.

DR. VARNUM D. COLLINS,
HOLDING a Diploma from the Philadelphia Dental College, resumes the practice of his profession at Hongkong. *Office and Residence, 59, Wyndham Street*; but patients visited at their houses if desired. All diseases of the teeth treated, and artificial work inserted on gold, silver, vulcanite and Allen's continuous gum.
tf 1150 Hongkong, 14th June, 1869.

THE MACDONNELL PATENT SLIP, *WEST POINT.*

THIS SLIP is now available for Docking Vessels of 1,500 Tons and under, and for all work connected therewith. There is also a first-class Steam SAW MILL, Planing, Moulding, and Joining MACHINE, on the Premises, which effects a great saving of time in the execution of work.

Spars, Timber, and all requisite materials for the repair of Wood and Iron Ships in constant on hand.
A. MCDONALD & Co.,
Proprietors.
2229 Hongkong, 24th November, 1869.

POOCHOW DOCK.

RIVER MIN.

THE above granite floored DOCK, of the following Dimensions, viz: Length, 300 feet, Breadth at Bottom, 40 feet, is capable of receiving Vessels drawing 13 to 16 feet, as the state of the Tides will allow. The Dock runs dry to the Blocks and is pumped out by Steam. The above premises comprise a large Machine-Shop, containing a
WITEWORTH'S 12-INCH SCREW CUTTING GAP LATHE,
DRILLING AND SCREWING MACHINES,
A LARGE SMITHY, &c., &c., &c.
Large Godowns are on the premises for STORAGE OF CARGO, &c., &c. A large Stock of Woods, Matsi, &c., &c., always on hand.

The Dock Steam Tug *Wooning* is available at all times to tow vessels to or from Sea, at current rates, on application to
JOHN C. SKEY,
Superintendent.

The list of Charges for lighting or remetalling vessels can be obtained from Messrs. DE SILVES & Co., Hongkong.
Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Shanghai.
tf 876 Mayne

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HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

A GENERAL MEETING of the Chamber will be held THIS DAY, the 14th inst., at 2 P.M., to receive the Report of the Committee, and statement of Accounts of Secretary, for the half year ended 15th November, 1869, and also for the purpose of discussing such other matters of interest as may be brought forward.
By order,
J. W. WOOD,
Secretary.
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HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the office of the Company, Victoria, Hongkong, THIS DAY, the 14th day of January, at three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the statement of accounts with the report of the Directors, of declaring a Dividend, and the election of Auditors.
By order of the Board of Directors.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
General Agents.
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HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 31st December instant to the 14th January next, both days included.
By order of the Board of Directors.
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
General Agents.
17d 2437 Hongkong, 29th December, 1869.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that in conformity with a Resolution passed at the last General Meeting of the above Company, the Directors were requested to assertain by the Union Dock Company could be effected.

An Extraordinary MEETING of the Shareholders will be held in the Chambers, *D'Aguilar Street*, on WEDNESDAY, the Twenty-sixth day of January, 1870, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of considering the Terms demanded by the Union Dock Company.
By order of the Board of Directors,
G. N. MITCHELL,
Secretary.
41d 2376 Hongkong, 17th December, 1869.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

IN accordance with paragraph No. 110 of the Articles of Association of this Company, the Half-yearly Interest at the rate of 10% per annum on the paid up Capital of the Company is ready for Payment at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hongkong, can be obtained at the Offices of the Company, *Queen's Road.*
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
1m 3 Hongkong, 31st December, 1869.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Share Certificates of the Company are now ready for issue, in exchange for the existing receipts, for first and second Calls, or transfer Certificates, on payment of a fee of One Dollar, and Shareholders are requested to apply for them at the Office of the Company, No. 20, *Queen's Road*, Hongkong.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
1m 4 Hongkong, 31st December, 1869.

FOR SALE.

(Under power contained in the Mortgage Deed),

ALL those valuable Premises situate in Hongkong, abutting on *Queen's Road* on the South, and partly on the *Praya* on the North, formerly occupied by Messrs. SMITH, KENNEDY & Co., and now in the occupation of Messrs. E. SCHELLHASS & Co. The Premises are built on Marine Lot No. 104, and are held under Lease from the Crown for 999 years, subject to a Crown rent of £30 per annum. The Premises are spacious and airy, and the ground comprises an area of 14,400 square feet.

Also.

Those valuable Premises adjoining the above on its Western boundary, formerly in the occupation of Messrs. HESSE & Co. These Premises are built on Inland Lot No. 514, and are likewise held under a Crown Lease for 999 years, subject to a Crown rent of £24 per annum, and the Lot contains an area of 6,720 square feet.

The above valuable Property will be sold by Public Auction in Hongkong on some early day of which due notice will be given; unless previously disposed of by private contract.

For further particulars, apply to
MESSRS. GILMAN & Co.,
OR,
HENRY C. CALDWELL, Esq.,
Solicitor.
tf 58 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have this day REMOVED to the premises on the *Praya*, formerly occupied by Messrs. BOSMAN & Co.
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
2m 1 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

THE Wharf in front of the premises occupied by the Undersigned, can be had for the convenience of steamers and ships at a moderate charge.
For particulars apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
tf 2 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

PHŒNIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents to the above Companies at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of £40,000, on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
tf 2096 Hongkong, 9th November, 1869.

PORT OF AMOY.

SHIPOWNERS, AGENTS, and COMMANDERS are informed that the DOCK COMPANY'S ESTABLISHMENTS at the above Port afford every facility, at moderate charges, for
REPAINING AND SPARRING VESSELS, AND
CLEANING AND PAINTING IRON SHIPS AND STEAMERS.

THEIR LARGE GRANITE DOCK,
Has 238 feet length on the blocks, and at average spring tides can receive Vessels of 16 to 17 feet draught. It has a
CAISSON GATE AND POWERFUL CENTRIFUGAL STEAM-PUMP.
And an Engineers' work-shop fitted with Lathes and Tools, drives by steam. Iron and Brass Foundries; Boiler-makers' shop, a large Smithy, and Carpenters' and Boat-builders' shops. All superintended by resident Europeans.

Their two smaller GRANITE DOCKS can receive, at spring tides, Vessels drawing 12 feet.

Spars, Timber, and other Dock-yard material kept in stock.

Quarters for Officers, and a DRY GODOWN for STORES, of Vessels under repair.
tf 2017 Amoy, December, 1869.

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NOTICE.

VICTORIA REGATTA CLUB.

THE Annual General MEETING of the Members of the Club will be held in the Hongkong Club House TO-DAY, the 14th instant, at 5 P.M., to elect a Committee for the present year, and receive the Treasurer's accounts for 1869.
WILLIAM LEGGE,
Hon. Sec. V. R. C.
2d 80 Hongkong, 12th January, 1870.

TUNG HING THEATRE.

A CHINESE THEATRICAL PERFORMANCE, by a company of first-class actors, Po-Tsoy Lok will take place in the above Theatre, at Tai-ping-shan, for seven days and nights, commencing from 14th, and ending on the 20th January, Sunday excepted.

All wonderful performances will be performed, and all actors will be gaily attired in new dresses.

Price of Admission..... $1.00
1w 81 Hongkong, 13th January, 1870.

NOTICE.

AS the undersigned intends leaving by the French Mail of the 1st proximo, all persons indebted to him are desired to make payment before the 25th instant, and all persons having claims against him are requested to send in their bills for immedi

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The Chronicle and Directory for 1870.

NOW READY.

THE Edition for 1870 is now ready for Delivery.

As already announced, the Directory is published in Two Forms, Complete at $5, or with the Lists of Residents and Port Directories only, at $3.

Copies may be obtained at the *Daily Press* Office, and of the following Agents:—

Messrs. Brown & Co., Swatow.
" Wilson, Nicholets & Co., Amoy.
" Hedge & Co., Foochow.
" Lane, Crawford & Co., Shanghai.
" Kelly & Co., do.
" Watchells, Green & Co., Japan.
Mr. E. P. Fisher, Merchants' Exchange, San Francisco.

OPINIONS OF THE PRESS ON THE 1869 EDITION.

(From the N. C. Daily News.)

We have to acknowledge a copy of "The Chronicle and Directory for China, Japan and the Philippines," published at the *Daily Press* office, Hongkong. The work is a valuable one, and the compilers deserve credit for getting it out at so early a date. For a summary of its contents, we must refer our readers to the volume itself, which is too comprehensive for cursory description, and—however useful—scarcely interesting enough for an elaborate review. A great deal of the contents have merely local reference, but a great deal more is interesting also to residents at the ports. Especially useful is the alphabetical list of foreign residents throughout China, which must frequently solve a difficulty to a new comer. It is also useful to have a Yokohama and Nagasaki directory in the same volume, without being compelled to look up so many different Hong lists. But it does seem to us that, in some respects, the volume almost goes beyond the scope of a Directory, and embodies information which might be more usefully published in a separate volume. Amongst the superfluous, though very useful contents, we may class the Order in Council for the Government of British subjects in China and the Rules of the Supreme Court; the United States Consular Regulations, the Chinese Passenger Act, etc. These, and various other legal Regulations which the volume comprises, seem hardly cognate to a Directory. We must give all praise to the completeness and comprehensiveness of the volume before us.

(From the Shanghai Recorder.)

We have been placed in possession of a copy of the "Chronicle and Directory for China, Japan and the Philippines," published at the office of the *Daily Press*, Hongkong. This work is already so well known that it is hardly necessary to expatiate upon its merits. It no doubt contains, as is claimed for it, more information concerning China than is contained in any other one volume. In addition to the ordinary Directory for Hongkong, Shanghai, the other Treaty ports, Japan, and the Philippines, it contains the various Treaties with China, the Order in Council and Rules of the Supreme Court, Shanghai, Regulations for Consular Courts of America in China, and other valuable documents of reference. The Mail tables, showing the dates when steamers leave Hongkong, when due in London, when the return mail leaves home, and when the answer is due in China, are particularly useful. The work is admirably printed and got up, and reflects great credit upon the publisher.

(From the Japan Gazette.)

For the past fortnight we have had beside us the New Chronicle and Directory, published at the office of the *Daily Press*, in Hongkong, for which, by the way, we ought to have thanked the publishers. It is even a more remarkable volume than last year's, and whether viewed in respect of its utility or the manner of its bringing out, it is admirable. As a directory of the British Colony of Hongkong and all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, it is as perfect as can be expected. The large amount of ground covered, and the unwillingness of individuals to fill in the papers forwarded to them for the purpose, leaves it an entire certainty that absolute correctness is beyond attainment. Thus, the Hiogo, Osaka, and Hakodadi lists are by no means complete; but the Yokohama lists more recent changes that our own Hong List, published in the beginning of October. None who have never undertaken the job, can conceive the difficulty of getting the correct lists up to the date of publication—the changes always going on are so numerous every week. The boys before us have evidently received the most careful and intelligent supervision, or it could never have been so nearly correct as it is. But the Appendix is perhaps the most useful portion of it. The "Order in Council" of March, 1865, and Rules of the Supreme Court in China and Japan leading off, are followed by various Treaties, Customs' Tariffs and Trade Regulations, between China, Siam, Japan, and Western Powers. Then comes a mass of information, including the "Regulations for Consular Courts of America, in China," "The Chinese Passenger Act;" "Scale of charges" recognised by various Chambers of Commerce; and special regulations of the open ports. A glance at the constitution, government, revenue, &c., of China and Japan, gives a general idea of what a tyro in these countries should know at the outset of his career, if he would follow up and understand events as they pass before him. Harbour regulations; Polynetric tables of distances, and postal rates and arrangements, with the time tables of the great Ocean and Overland steam routes, bring up the rear; and altogether make up one of the most useful books of reference that any merchant can possess or desire. The enterprising part of the business is, that it is published at five dollars only; a price no greater than would be charged for a book of a similar size at home. It is very cheap—with the advantage of being "very good!"

From the Japan Times.

We have received, and acknowledge with thanks, the "Chronicle and Directory for China, Japan, and the Philippines, for the Year 1869." This handsome volume, printed and published at the *Daily Press* office, should be on every merchant's desk. We agree with the publisher that, as he says in his preface, "it is not too much to say that it contains more information concerning China than is condensed in any one volume." For residents in Japan, too, there is much that is useful in the appendices. The Order in Council and the Rules of the Supreme Court, the Treaties and the revised Tariff are all included, and Directories are given for Yedo, Yokohama, Nagasaki, Hakodate, and even for Osaka and Hiogo. The Yokohama Directory is very fairly correct, and those for Nagasaki and Hakodate have only deficiencies caused by residents neglecting to fill the return papers. The volume is well got up in every respect—printer, reader, and bookbinder alike deserving praise.

(From the Straits Times.)

We have been favored with a copy of the "Chronicle and Directory of China, Japan, and the Philippines," published at the Hongkong *Daily Press* Office, which we wish to commend to the attention of our readers. It is really a marvel, so far as regards its printing and general get up, and the accuracy and comprehensiveness of the information it conveys. Lose sits down and considers that China, Japan, and the Philippines, are bigger than the whole of Europe—twice over, he will be rather staggered to meet with a book which professes to give all information in regard to the trade of these countries, those who carry that trade on mainly,—their political and social history, the statistics of that trade, and in fact data enough to furnish materials for a second edition of McCulloch's Commercial Dictionary. The "Chronicle and Directory for China, Japan, and the Philippines" for 1869 has first of all the usual *Calendars*, Jewish, Japanese, Mohammedan and Chinese. Then there is given a very useful Directory of Hongkong and of all the Foreign Residents in China, Japan, the Philippines, and Siam. So farena we can judge, this has been got up with wonderful accuracy and completeness. There follows a pure Hongkong Directory, of all that Colony's institutions, clubs, churches, public companies, Government offices, Her Majesty's Forces, Military and Naval, &c. &c. Then there are given Directories of all the ports in China: Canton, Whampoa, Macao, Swatow, Amoy, Formosa, Foochow, Ningpo, Shanghai, Chinkiang, Kiukiang Hankow, Chefoo, Tuku, Tientsin, Newchwang, Peking, Yedo, Yokohama, Nagasaki, Hiogo, Osaka, Hakodadi, Manila, and Bangkok. Never, we take leave to say, before was there published in this quarter of the globe a book containing so much real information, so many statistical facts, authors are comprehended in this Handy-book under review. In addition to the above there are various appendices, giving the Rules of H. B. M's Supreme Court in China and Japan, the Custom's Rules and Tariff for Imports and Exports at the different ports, all the Treaties between Great Britain, China, Japan and Siam, and also the Treaties with other countries, with their Tariff Rules and Regulations for Trade at those Ports. These are also given very correct but succinct accounts of the Histories, Constitutions, and Governments of China, Japan, and Manila, which are well worth perusal by even the passing traveller. In short, this "Chronicle and Directory" contains in its compact and well-printed pages, such valuable statistical and other information, as makes it a complete *vade mecum*, an indispensable requisite, for all public, mercantile, and general offices, and as such we commend it to the attention of all the merchants in Singapore.

(From the San Francisco Daily Times.)

This is a full and complete summary of nearly everything of value that a business man wants to know concerning the Eastern coast of Asia and the adjoining islands. The author and compiler is William H. Bell, a resident of Hongkong, who has spared no pains in gathering accurate and reliable information from all accessible sources, and up to the latest moment. In this one volume will be found collected such a variety of useful statistics as cannot be met with in any half dozen other compilations. There is a list of all the foreign residents in China, Japan, the Philippines and Siam, with their occupation and residences. There are the calendars of the Chinese, Japanese, Jews, Mohammedans and Parsees, with their feasts and fasts. There are the Directories of Hongkong, Canton, Macao, Amoy, Shanghai, Manila, Peking, Formosa, Japan, and of every other commercial city in those seas. Then there are given Diplomatic and Consular Regulations, Treaties, Tariffs, Trade Regulations, Consular Courts, Chinese Passenger Act, etc. These, and various other legal Regulations which the volume comprises, seem hardly cognate to a Directory. We must give all praise to the completeness and comprehensiveness of the volume before us.

Intimations.

(From the Hongkong Telegraph.)

The performance by the amateurs of the *Adventure*, which took place last night at the City Hall Theatre, was very well attended, and on the whole, went off satisfactorily, though it was to be regretted that the piece was given in too slow time, and so far into the evening that one felt it became necessary to detail it, a portion of the fourth act being merged into the third. The piece is so well-known that it is unnecessary to describe it, but it was perhaps of too difficult a nature for any except a more than ordinarily talented amateur corps to undertake. The acting of Marian Hardley as May *Edwards* was much admired, and that of Coleman as *Hawkshaw* gave evidence of considerable talent. Mr. Wilson, the *Ticket of Leave Man*, did fair justice to his part but it was one of so arduous a nature that it could not be expected an amateur would succeed thoroughly in it. The acting of Mr. Norton as *Gibson* deserves notice, as being telling and effective. The *Area Belle*, a piece which is always popular, was performed with much spirit, though unfortunately to a very much thinned house, as it did not commence till after twelve o'clock. The amateurs deserve much credit for the efforts which they have made for a charitable object; but it may perhaps be suggested that on future occasions they would do well to avoid pieces requiring too much professional tact and knowledge of stage detail.

THE YACHT RACE.

The increasing interest which has been displayed in this Colony within the last two or three years for yachting, has lately led, as the public size doubtless already anticipates, to a revival of the old rivalry, a club to have for its object and aim sailing, and sailing alone. This separate branch of our aquatic sports has always heretofore been managed in connection with the rowing, but lately the interest in the sport of yachts has made it necessary to have a separate organization, with suitable rules and regulations, and proper officers. With Commodore Jones, as commodore, and Mr. R. F. Ross as vice-commodore, there is little fear of yachting ever becoming less popular in this Colony than it is to-day. As announced some days since, the competing yacht of the Club came off yesterday, the prize offered being the Garrison Cup, valued at $250, for all yachts exceeding 15 tons, and a cup valued at $75 for all boats under this measurement. The course was from the start off Kowloong on through the Lyeemoon pass, round the Island of Lintin, and back to Hongkong, a distance in round. Individually, I am opposed to amalgamation any terms; because I feel convinced that the numerous and disastrous failures at home, which have recently occasioned such scandal and wide-spread ruin, have been mainly due to illadvised amalgamations. I believe that a healthy competition is beneficial, not merely to the public, but to the Shareholders, in well conducted Companies; and considering the number of steamers and sailing ships which resort to Hongkong, I think there will always be ample work for the two Dock Companies; nor can I see any reason why either should endeavour reciprocally to undersell the other. Such opinions, I believe, are not extensively entertained; and it would, of course, be useless for me to attempt to oppose amalgamation, if it were generally considered so "essentially necessary for the interests of the Shareholders in each Company," as is asserted in the memorandum which has recently been circulated.

Were I, however, a vehement advocate for amalgamation, I should certainly object to the terms proposed by the Union Dock Company, because it appears to me that they are excessive, and that the advantages are altogether on its side. The Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company is asked to take over the Union Dock Company's property at a reduction of a third of its Capital, or about 33 per cent. Discount, which would amount to $300,000; of which $250,000 are to be paid for by the issue of new shares, and $50,000 in cash to the shareholders. It is also to assume the Union Dock Company's liabilities, amounting to about $260,000; that is to say, the shareholders in the former Company are to pay in all $523,000 for a property, the market value of which, according to the quotations on the share list, does not amount to $300,000. Some signal and certain advantages ought to be held forth in order to induce them to pay so high a price for amalgamation; those advantages, I confess, I am unable to discuss. The amalgamated Company would have a capital of $1,000,000, and would be burdened with a debt of about $400,000; in return for which, it is said, that a considerable reduction would be effected in the cost of management and that prices would be raised some fifteen per cent. The first would doubtless take place, but men of experience in this Colony assert that the contemplated rise in the charges for work could not be effected; and so far from an addition of fifteen per cent, scarce half that increase could advantageously be made.

The proposed advantages, therefore, are neither so great nor so certain as at once to convince all dispassionate persons of the essential necessity for amalgamation; and I confess there are other circumstances connected with the proposal, which cause me to regard it with suspicion. In the first place, it is on the part of the Union Dock Co., that such anxiety to amalgamate has been displayed; the Shareholders in the other Company having been in general content to let the subject lie. In the next place, unusual indices have lately been adopted by some of the Shareholders in the former Company, apparently in order to try and secure a preponderance of votes at the approaching meeting. It is well known that gentlemen connected with the Union Dock Co., have recently become the purchasers of shares in the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co—in several instances of ten times each,—and by a strange coincidence under Rule 49 of the new articles, there is an advantage in having ten shares, ten shareholders holding each ten shares, have in all one hundred votes; whereas one holder of one hundred shares would be entitled to twenty eight only. The memorandum also, above alluded to, is known to emanate from the Union Dock Co. One is therefore compelled to ask, why this anxiety to carry out the proposed amalgamation? Its promoters must feel convinced that great benefits will redound to them from it, or they would not make such exertions to bring it about. In proportion, however, as the proposal, if successful, is deemed likely to prove beneficial to them; the Shareholders in the other Company will unanimously have some apprehension that it will prove injurious to their interests. Many of them have bought their shares at a premium, some at a very high one, while it cannot be denied that the Union Dock shares have long been at a heavy discount. The matter is a very important one, and ought to be seriously and dispassionately considered. If the proposed amalgamation be mutually beneficial to both Companies, by all means let it be carried; but I own I do not much like the measures which have been adopted to force it; as it were, on the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, and dictate to it the terms which it must accept. On the whole, I cannot but think that in any case, viewing the magnitude of the affair, the large interests at stake, the number of important Shareholders who are absent, and with whom it has not yet been possible to communicate on the subject, it will be wise to postpone the discussion of the question. In another year, both Companies will more clearly see their relative positions; their mutual prospects will be more easily calculated; the subject will have been more fully discussed, and all interested will be better able to come to a sound decision.—I remain, Sir, your obedient servant,

SHAREHOLDER.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1870.

THE COMMERCIAL BEARING OF THE SUEZ CANAL.

The *Daily News* remarks that the canal can hardly be said to alter profoundly the conditions of the Eastern trade, or the commercial relations of the great communities of the world. Nor does it increase greatly the immediateness of the contact between the East and West, which, in fact, is being mainly effected by other agencies. We must look, indeed, to railway enterprise to improve the reaction between opposite modes of civilization and the ferment of new ideas which results. As a contribution to the facilities of general commerce the canal is most important, but it comes too late to assist in the most important civilizing effect of improved communications. On the direction of trade it may have a more conspicuous influence. The tendency of the trade between Asia and Europe is more and more to bring into importance the countries on the line of transit between the extreme centres to be connected. These are the North-west of Europe on the one side, and India and China, and partly Australia, on the other. As more direct roads come to be used, the intermediate countries of Europe and the provinces of Turkey receive the stimulus of an immense transit trade. And as a direct road of this sort, helping to bring the largest part of the trade to the direct channels, the canal is most important. In these new centres cannot fail to grow up or to extend largely in the intermediate region, advantage being taken of the facilities of markets and conveyance which the neighbourhood of a great traffic route will permit. The older centres, however, can only gain by such a development of their neighbour's wealth. The facilities of the present business will be increased with the growth of the local traffic, and there will be more new customers for both the East and the West.

SEDITIOUS WRITING IN IRELAND.

The Times declares it would be foolish to speak lightly of the mischief that may be done by the seditious press of Ireland. However monstrous and absurd all these scribes may appear to us, how is the poor Irishman who believes in fairies and holy wells, and everything else that he is told with authority, to detect their absurdity for himself? Almost all the arguments for a free press rest upon the assumption that both sides will be heard, and that, in the end, truth will tip more than a match for error. How can this assumption be made where it is morally certain that one side only will be heard? This is a question which has forced itself of late upon into minds of many persons above the suspicion of reactionary tendencies. One cannot suppose that any English statesman would seriously entertain the idea of establishing a censorship of the press in the continental sense; indeed, such a measure, were it possible, would naturally defeat itself. What is required is a vigorous execution of the existing laws against seditious publications, and the statute known as the Treason Felony Act is quite large enough to cover the offence of treasonable writing. It is, of course, entirely within the discretion of the Government to select its own opportunity for proceeding under this Act, but it would be a false and short-sighted policy to delay that step one moment after a fitting occasion should have arisen. If ever a nation required a strong Executive, it is the Irish nation in its present transitional state; if ever the supremacy of law needed to be vindicated, it is when the rights of property are under discussion. No Administration will ever be respected by the Irish which merely redresses grievances, without showing itself able and resolved to enforce law and maintain order.

THE NEW COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

The old system of choosing the wrong man for a place is persistently pursued in the composition of the present Government. Mr. Bright once said very frankly that he knew nothing about the duties of the office which he holds, and he supposed that was the reason why he was appointed to it. Mr. Layard, who really did take an intelligent interest in the architectural improvement of London, is sent to built castles in Spain; and Mr. Ayrton, who neither knows nor cares anything about constructive or decorative art, is appointed First Commissioner of Works in his room. We wish Mr. Ayrton in his new office no other harm than this, that there may arise in the House of Commons some likeness of his former self to worry him when he finds himself compelled to propose to expend money for any ornamental purpose. The whitlings of fine things release in many ways, and few revenges are more pleasant than when we see the virulent economist converted into an agent of expenditure. Mr. Ayrton's success in obtaining and keeping his seat for the Tower Hamlets may satisfy the observer of his energy that he understands how to build the edifice of his own political fortunes, but we do not know that he has ever shown a turn for any other description of architecture. He was always in the House of Commons, and he generally spoke, and his speeches, we are quite sure, were always thoroughly intelligible to his constituents. He possesses great industry and perseverance, and can make himself either useful in a Government or troublesome in opposition; but why should he aspire to the Board of Works? To judge Mr. Ayrton by his speeches, he possesses no taste for literature or art, but he understands and practices all the devices which recommend a man to the favor of the class which forms the large majority of his constituents. He pitches himself in public life just as a trader pitches his tent in a fair, and retires to finish life in a suburban villa. He is about as fit to be a gentleman as Mr. Ayrton is to direct the department of Public Works. If we had to sue up Mr. Ayrton in a sentence, we should say that he possesses a signal faculty for making himself disagreeable, and that is a faculty which has its value, although we do not think it specially desirable in a First Commissioner of Works. The difficulty of discovering what ought to be done with Mr. Ayrton is aggravated by observing that *The Times* considers that Mr. Ayrton's present post will be much better filled by Mr. Stansfeld. We used to hear of Whigs; but if a man must now have place whether he is fit for it or not, we seem to have gained little by the Reform Bill, except a new sort of intolerable nuisance instead of one more objectionable than the old sort. We quite understand that Mr. Ayrton would heal down tenderness effectually, and we think it probable that he would succeed as a collector of needy pensioners. But these things are only exceptionally useful in a member of a Government, and we are not aware that Mr. Ayrton has any other talent, except that for being member for the Tower Hamlets—which, however, in our political system, is a talent not to be despised.—*Saturday Review.*

A NEW HONGLAD

The *Pocantaliton*, armour-plated turret-ship, the last of the Royal Sovereigns, launched in Portsmouth Dockyard by Mr. Childers, M.P., will have the turrets mounted on Captain Coles's system, working on a series of rollers fixed at the circumference of the turret, and the turret, instead of resting on a central cylindrical spindle; but their base rests upon the upper deck, as is the case with the *Royal Sovereign*, *Monarch*, *Captain*, and other turret-ships. This is considered to increase the strength, safety, and a saving of room on the deck below; since the upper deck is not weakened by any large hole for the base of the turrets to pass through, no admission can be made by water below from the openings round platform portion of the turrets, and greater space and habitability is secured for the crew on the deck below. On the turrets the armour-plating will be 14 inches in thickness, and the armour-deck and 12 inches in all other parts, on an iron frame and teak backing of 15 inches and 17 inches, with an inner skin iron plating of 1½ inches. The diameter of the turrets will amount to 36 feet. The offensive powers of the *Pocantaliton* and her consort will consist of two 30-ton guns in each turret, and her capabilities as a ram. As regards the guns, they are intended to be of the pattern of the 110 ton Armstrong gun—the Woolwich improved Armstrong—and will throw 600-pounder shot of the original bended Palliser type. They will have an "all round" fire; that is, they will command every point of the horizon, and will thus really represent the true turret principle, which no sea-going turret-ship rigged for sailing as a cruising-ship can possess. There are no other improvements of importance to be noticed, viz., that the most careful provision has been made in the details of their construction to secure for them perfect efficiency as "rams." Their speed, which is to be assisted by the reversed action of their twin screw propellers, must secure for them an extraordinary degree of handiness under every possible conditions of position, and they will thus, in my mind, unite against an enemy with their spur-fronted stems, have a second and most formidable means of attack as regards superiority power to their artillery. On the other hand, against their own enemy's armour, or against torpedoes, every possible precaution appears to have been taken to make the ship secure by giving them double bottoms, water-tight compartments, and other precautions which are so many ways to iron-built ships. Altogether there appears to be sound reason for the belief that the *Pocantaliton* type, as a war engine, possesses all the advantages claimed for it. Her duties will be specially suitable for its introduction into our navy. Starting from the American model, and taking the benefit of the experience gained by the Americans during the war among the North and the South, our chief constructor has undoubtedly added in the beautiful type of turret-ship many important features, and has given the navy a class of turret-ship that can go to sea and fight in any weather. As in the American monitors, artificial means for ventilation is provided in the new ships, but at the same time the openings through the breast-work fitted with deads of considerable area, natural ventilation, except in action or very rough weather at sea, when the ventilation of the ship below must depend wholly upon artificial means. The complement of officers and men for the new ships will be 250 all told, a small number compared with the size of the ship, but quite sufficient for every purpose on board a ship where there is no work aloft. The comfort and health of all on board are well provided for.—*Albion.*

THE P. AND O. LADY.

(*Pioneer, Dec. 1.*)

All of us know the little world which assembles on board one of the steamers of the great Company which unites England to the East. Look forward at the men collected in groups, smoking and talking together,—the grave, middle aged soldier, the dashing subaltern, the civilian, the merchant, the lawyer, and perhaps a chaplain or a missionary to represent the church,—all are there. They are all familiar figures to us; we have met them, or their like, many a time in the world on shore. One and all they represent classes which we meet elsewhere. If we walk down Bond-street any afternoon, we may see fifty young fellows like the subaltern who is talking with such an air of condescension to the lady besides him; or like that representative of young England who is looking in the smiles of half a dozen girls, trusting in his eye-glass and his glorious hair, which, like that of Swinburne's Cleopatra,—

"Is wonderful and curled."

Again, if we look back to the ladies sitting on the quarter-deck, we see nothing new. Most of them (and in the highest praise we can offer them) are just such women as we found in our English homes. They sit together, some as work, some chatting, some talking to their husbands, some playing with their babies. A fairer sight no man need wish to see. But there, near the captain, and surrounded by a noisy group of men, is a figure which strikes us as somewhat strange. It is the woman whom we intend to describe. Not having met her under a counterpart elsewhere, we will call her the lady of the P. and O.

No matter what the season is, whether it is hot or cold, whether the voyage is homward or outward bound, no steamer sails without this lady. Whether it is an arrangement of the Company, or of Providence, or of accident, we do not know; but so it is. As soon would the ship weigh anchor without a compass on board, as leave the port without the P. and O. lady. She appears in various forms; sometimes she is small and *mince*. Her reddish hair is raised to a dizzy height above her head; her partner is puffed out to an extravagant extent behind; her tiny feet are clad in shoes of the highest heels; and her delight is to show how well she can walk the deck. Sometimes she is fat and fair, and treats more to her free manner and jovial air, than to any beauty she can boast, to win for her the sort of attention which she covets so much. But whatever her form, in some of her characteristics she never varies. She dresses herself in garments fitter for a fete than for a voyage. She changes her attire so often, and varies it so much, that it would seem as if she wished to show all her wardrobe to the people on board. Even in the early morning her hair is decked with ornaments, her arms loaded with bracelets, and her neck splendid with barbaric gold. When the other ladies have retired, the lady of the P. & O. is still on deck, chatting with the men who are drinking in the saloon. Her voice is loud enough to be heard all over the ship. Even in the desert, as we leave a station, far above the screech of the engine and the rattle of the wheels we hear that voice. The nervous set is in motion by it until make the Pyramids tremble, and rouse from her sleepy slumber the very Sphynx. On board, it also is not wrapt in sweet converse with one man, she is surrounded by six. She particularly affects the ship's officers, partly perhaps for their uniform, chiefly because the frank open faces and honest manners of the English sailor offer a pleasant contrast to her own conscious affectation.

Such is the lady of the P. and O.—unique of her kind—a genus per se. We never meet her exact counterpart on shore; although in places, where she herself would dread to go, we may find her true prototype and original.

It is the custom in many English circles to speak disparagingly of Anglo-Indian ladies. They are supposed to be lazy, listless, and extravagant, much given to flirtation and neglectful of home. How baseless are such accusations is known to all of us; and, if there is any member, who in sickness or sorrow, or in the utter loneliness of a first arrival, have received kindness and comfort in an Anglo-Indian home. How then have our women got this bad character? Chiefly, we believe, from the account of the lady of the P. and O., published as her fame is, far and wide, by the passengers and officers of the ship.

We hope earnestly that a time will soon come when our steamers will be relieved from such a supercargo. Meanwhile, the glorious dawn of an Eastern sun is lighting up the bronzed faces of the men who are steering into port. The Pilot is on board. In another hour we have said good-bye to the lady of the P. and O. We go down the side of the ship, and get into our boat. We see her for the last time looking over the bulwarks, discontent is written on her attendant troop has been dispersed. Until our next voyage we shall see her face no more.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY EVENING.

There has been a shade better feeling in the drug market for Bengal. The following are the ruling prices:—Patna, $583 to $585; Benares, $52 to $52½; Malwa, $445 fine quality drug wanted; Patna Old, 1st sales to arrive $588½, little doing; Patna New, 1st sales to arrive, $557½, little doing; Benares New, 1st sales to arrive, $522½, little doing.

In Raw Cotton nothing has been done. Saltpetre has attracted a better attention from the natives, sales have been to the extent of about 826 bags, viz: 145 bags at $6.30 per picul, 200 bags, at $6.32½ per picul, 100 bags at $6.35 per picul, 200 bags at $6.25 per picul, 181 bags at $6 per picul.

The only business to report to-day in the market for manufactured imports has been a few pieces of 8/4 Grey Shirtings, say 1,000, ordinary quality at $2.80. There is some inquiry for these just at the moment, but dealers are offering only 2.80 for the best quality, while importers are firm at $2.85. The excitement in steamboat shares still continues, over 200 having to-day changed hands at 32 premium cash, and 50 at 29, ex div., for the end of January. Five Shares have changed hands to the extent of 35 at $195 premium, and 200 premium for the end of February. Some few Gas Shares have met with a buyer at $44.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight. 4/3½
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Documentary Bills, at 6 months' sight. 4/3½
Bank Bills on demand. 4/3½

ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank, 3 days' sight. 74
Private, 30 days' sight. 74½

ON CALCUTTA.—Bank, 3 days' sight 223
" BOMBAY.—Bank, 3 days' sight 223

SHARES.

Hongkong Bank Shares, Old... 80½ to 81 prem
" New... 20 prem.
H'kong & W'poa Dock. 6 dis.
H'kong C'ton & Macao Steam D. C. Shares. 30 to 32 prem.
China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares. $1,400 prem.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares. $175 pr. pr. s.
Union Dock Shares. 35 dis
Hongkong Hotel Shares. 50 to 60

SALES ON 13TH JANUARY, 1869.

As reported by Chinese.

Green Peas, 400 piculs, at $2.08, by Hing-tai-chun to Tuck-wo-loong.

Bombay Cotton, 38 bales, at $21.00, by Parsee merchant to Tuck wo loong.

Window Glass, 250 cases, at $3.20, by foreign merchant.

P-Cloth, 8 bs., 1,000 pieces, at $1.07, by Parsee merchant to Hongkong merchant.

Saltpetre, 200 piculs, at $6.30, by Parsee merchant to Hongkong merchant.

Black Dat, 100 piculs, at Tls. 24.0., by Tai-fooong-hong to travelling merchant.

Dried Lily Flowers, 50 bags, at $9.40, by Tai-toong-shun to travelling merchant.

White Sesamum, 500 bags, at $4.25, by Hop-hing to travelling merchant.

Black Pepper, 15 piculs, at $9.25, by Hung-foong to Hankow merchant.

Vermicelli, 50 bags, $6.80, by Kin foong to travelling merchant.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. W. SCOTT FITZ is this day admitted a partner in our firm. Mr. R. S. DANA retires, his interest ceasing on the 31st December last.

RUSSELL & Co.

tf 68 China, 1st January, 1870.

MR. EDWIN H. SPRING will take charge of our business during our absence, and is authorized to sign our firm, per procuration, from this date.

SAYLE & Co.

Im 70 January, 11th 1870.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. OSCAR BOOTH in our firm ceased on the 31st of December last.

Mr. RUDOLPH BOURJAU has this day been admitted a partner in our firm, and Mr. GUSTAV WIELSE has been duly authorized to sign our name from this date.

BOURJAU, RIDDENER & Co.

Im 5 China, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

MR. JOAQ HENRIQUES DOS REMEDIOS is authorized to sign our Firm, per procuration, from this day.

J. J. DOS REMEDIOS & Co.

2m 6 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

MR. RUDOLPH JENSEN is admitted a partner in our firm from this date.

JOHN BURD & Co.

Im 12 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

MR. W. H. CONDIT, Mr. S. E. HUNTINGTON, Mr. H. O. LOW, and Mr. A. C. HEITMANN, are admitted Partners in our Firm.

SMITH, ARCHER & Co.

2m 13 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. WILLIAM PRUSOE in my Firm ceased on the 31st of Dec. 1868, and Mr. OTTO CARLOWITZ is this day admitted.

Mr. JOHANNES F. CORDES are admitted Partners therein from this date.

Mr. F. LANCKEN and Mr. G. W. SIEGFRIED, have been authorized to sign our Firm per procuration.

W. PUSTAU & Co.

6m 14 China, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

MR. CESAR ERDMANN, has been duly authorized to sign our firm, per Procuration, from this date.

LANDSTEIN & Co.

tf 18 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

MR. DHUNJEEBHOY MERWANJEE MEHTA is authorized to sign our Firm from this date.

M. D. GHANDY & Co.

Im 17 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

MR. H. H. WARDEN is admitted a partner in our firm from this date.

RUSSELL & Co.

tf 2311 China, 1st December, 1869.

MR. PAUL GERHARD HUBNER and Mr. ALBERT GRATTOW have been authorized to sign our firm here and in China from this date.

SIEMSSEN & Co.

3m 2063 Hongkong, 1st November, 1869.

NOTICE.

MR. THOMAS H. DE SILVER is admitted a partner in our firm from the 1st of October, 1869.

L. PRICKEL & Co.

tf 2002 Hongkong, 21st October, 1869.

NOTICE.

WE have this day admitted Mr. BENJAMIN E. GALL as a Partner in our firm.

FAWCETT & Co.

tf 643 Hongkong, 1st April, 1869.

MR. FRITZ RAPP has been duly authorized to sign our firm, per procuration, from this date.

F. BLACKHEAD & Co.

tf 1166 Hongkong, 11th June, 1869.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day established myself as a Public Accountant, Average Adjuster, and General Commission Agent.

C. LANGDON DAVIES.

tf 1243 Hongkong, 1st July, 1868.

RIFLES, FIXED AMMUNITION AND GUNPOWDER.

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NOTICE.

MESSRS. MICHELL, BARNARD & Co., of Manila, have been appointed Agents for the *Daily Press*, *Chinese Issue of Daily Press*, *Overland Trade Report*, *Straits Times Extra*, and all other publications issued from this Office, and residents in Manila will please make application to them.

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THE LATEST ANTI-CHINESE FULMINATION. (*Alta California, November 26.*)

Sundry persons who are opposed to immigration from China, met at Congress Hall the other night, and passed a series of resolutions, embodying what they call a declaration. This curious document may justly be taken as condensing in one terrific bomb all of the possible fulminates of the Anti-Chinese party. To be sure, its grammar and its logic are alike defective, but it is loud-sounding, and is designed to strike terror into the hearts of the Mongolians, and an implied threat of "bloodshed and civil war" is thrown in to bring dismay upon such Caucasians as may be so friendly to the present system of letting the Chinese alone. Analyzed, this declaration is easily resolved into the following propositions: We [Middle-classmen] are opposed to Chinese immigration, because—

1. The Chinese will not amalgamate with Caucasians, and their isolated existence here must eventuate in civil war and bloodshed.

2. They do not smell good, and live "like ants, by scores and hundreds, in hives."

3. They are slaves to each other.

4. Their religion is indifferentism, and their morals are not nice at all.

5. They are serfs at home, and would be noisy politicians here if they had a chance, and then (say the declaration) "the gangrene sun of free American sunlight would in the west in a sea of blood!"

6. They work for small pay and live on poor victuals.

7. Labor is capital, and capital is accumulated labor.

8. Same as above.

9. They are migratory, and build no houses.

10. Trade with China is a humbug and amounts to nothing, as we send ten million cotton dollars per annum to China, and receive thence opium, which is poison; silk, which we can raise ourselves, and tea made from California chaparral.

11. Cheap labor is unnecessary, and the wealth of the nation is safest in the hands of the working classes.

12. We can stand the negro (and his once objectionable smell) because he is a native, but the imported Chinaman—"Never! so help us God! Never!"

This is no travesty, but is a fair and honest condensation and epitome of the resolutions adopted at Congress Hall, November 24th. If any reader outside of the Pacific States desires to know upon what basis the objections to Chinese immigration are founded, he has them all here. We do not recollect any more that have ever been mentioned by anybody, and there are some few new ones included in the list above given. For instance, it strikes a Californian on being informed that complaint should be made of excessive exports to China, when we know that in addition to the $5,000,000 in specie sent to China from this whole country during the year, we export $4,000,000 of home products, of which a very large item is California breadstuffs. But, it is of little use to waste argument or refutation upon such a wild fanfaronade as this "declaration." It is true that the Chinese common people are not agreeable gentlemen and ladies, and, though they are useful and even indispensable in many departments of labor, they are not welcome parlor companions. But this does not prove anything; and, after all is said that can be said by this most rabid of Anti-Chinese speech-makers, it is all resolvable into the proposition that the Mongolians are not good material for intelligent voters and fireside acquaintances. All the rest is the merest buncombe; and, because this is so, such people as those who subscribe to this latest manifesto would declare a war of intolerance and expulsion upon the Chinese immigrants to the free Republic of the United States.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Recently a sergeant of the Royal Horse Artillery, having been reduced to the ranks, went home in a private's dress. His wife on observing the change in his uniform (from a sergeant's to a private's) almost instantly fell down on the floor of their room, and expired before medical aid could be procured.

SUPERHUMAN INDUSTRY.—There is or was a very remarkable man living in the West of England, perhaps the most indefatigable student the world has ever heard of, judging by Archdeacon Freeman's account of him. In a speech at Exeter, in which he expressed his strong dislike to newspapers and magazines, the Archdeacon (who it said to be one of Dr. Temple's opponents in the Chapter) stated that he once gave a work of Jeremy Taylor's to a man who "read it for three years night and day, and never stopped!"

SHOOTING A SENTINEL.—A soldier on duty in the garden of the Cluny Museum, Paris, noticed about two o'clock the head and bust of a man against the iron gate, and as the soldier was in the act of bringing his musket to the charge, the individual fired a pistol at him, wounding him slightly on the left wrist. The guard immediately turned out, but were unable to find the aggressor, who had fled. The weapon, a small pocket pistol, was found on the ground. No conjecture can be formed as to the cause of this attack.

The Am[illegible] newspapers have been badly myrmified by [illegible]don telegraphists mixing up the [illegible] in the Holborn Viaduct. The N[illegible] ...ounds the following enigmatic [illegible] "The correspondent of the *Daily* [illegible] ...ting from Suez, regrets that the opening [illegible] the canal had not been delayed a fortnight. He fears that the passage to large ships will not be free from risk. He states that the granite pillars of the viaduct are badly cracked, but thinks the injuries not sufficient to prevent traffic."

A somewhat unusual application was made at the Court of Bankruptcy on November 23rd, before Mr. Commissioner Holroyd, in the matter of W. T. Cave, of Bow, whose order of discharge had been granted in 1864, conditional on his paying £50 a year by quarterly instalments. It appeared that the five years which have elapsed the bankrupt had only paid three instalments, though he had been repeatedly summoned to show cause why he had not done so. It was now asked by Mr. Aldridge, representing the official assignee, that the order of discharge should be rescinded, and his honour made an order accordingly.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY EVENING.

There has been a shade better feeling in the drug market for Bengal. The following are the ruling prices:—Patna, $533½ to $535; Bonnees, $52½ to $52½; Malwa, $565 first quality drug wanted; Patna Old, 1st sales to arrive $538½, little doing; Patna New, 1st sales to arrive, $557½, little doing; Benares New, 1st sales to arrive, $522½, little doing.

In Raw Cotton nothing has been done. Saltpetre has attracted a better attention from the natives, sales have been to the extent of about 826 bags, viz: 145 bags at $3.30 per picul; 200 bags, at $3.22½ per picul, 100 bags at $3.35 per picul; 200 bags at $3.25 per picul, 181 bags at $3 per picul.

The only business to report to-day in the market for manufactured imports has been a few pieces of 8/4 Grey Shirtings, say 1,000, ordinary quality at $2.80. There is some inquiry for these just at the moment, but dealers are offering only 2.80 for the best quality, while importers are firm at $2.85. The excitement in steamboat shares still continues, over 500 having to-day changed hands at 32 premium cash, and 50 at 29, ex div., for the end of January. Fire Shares have changed hands to the extent of 35 at $195 premium, and 200 premium for the end of February. Some few Gas Shares have met with a buyer at $44.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight, 4/4
Credits, at 6 months' sight 4/4½
Documentary Bills, at 6 months' sight 4/3
Bank Bills on demand 4/3½

ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank, 3 days' sight 74
Private, 30 days' sight 74½

ON CALCUTTA.—Bank, 3 days' sight 223
" BOMBAY.—Bank, 3 days' sight 223

SHARES.

Hongkong Bank Shares, Old... 30½ to 31 prem.
" " New... 29 prem.
H'kong & W'poa Dock ..... 6 dis.
H'kong C'ton & Macao Steam Boat Shares ..... 30 to 32 prem.
China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares ..... $1,400 prem.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares ..... $175 pr. ser. 8.
Union Dock Stocks ..... 45 dis.
Hongkong Hotel Shares ..... 50 by 60 " "

SALES ON 13TH JANUARY, 1869.

As reported by Chinese.

Green Peas, 400 piculs, at $2.08, by Hing-tai-chan to Tuet-wo-loong.

Bombay Cotton, 28 bales, at $21.00, by Parsee merchant to Yuet wo loong.

Window Glass, 250 cases, at $3.26, by foreign merchant to Kwong-sing.

Kelats, Oka, 1,000 pieces, at $1.97, by Parsee merchant to Hongkong merchant.

Salipetre, 200 piculs, at $5.90, by Parsee merchant to Hongkong merchant.

Black Dates, 100 piculs, at Tls. 2.4.0., by Tai-fong-shun by retail.

Dried Lily Flowers, 50 bags, at $9.40, by Tai-fong-shun to travelling merchant.

Indigo, Sesamum, 500 bags, at $4.25, by Hop-hing to travelling merchant.

Black Pepper, 15 piculs, at $9.25, by Hung-fooung to Hankow merchant.

Vermicelli, 50 bags, $6.80, by Kin foung to travelling merchant.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. W. SCOTT FITZ is this day admitted a partner in our firm. Mr. R. S. DAVIS retires, his interest ceasing on the 31st December last.

RUSSELL & Co.

tf 68 China, 1st January, 1870.

MR. EDWIN H. SPRING will take charge of our business during our absence and is authorized to sign our firm, per procuration, from this date.

SALE & Co.

1m 70 Hongkong, 11th January, 1870.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. OSCAR BOOTH in our firm ceased on the 31st of December last.

Mr. RENAUD BOURJAU has this day been admitted a partner in our firm, and Mr. GOTTAY WELLER has been duly authorized to sign our name from this date.

BOURJAU, HUBENER & Co.

1m 5 China, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

MR. JOAO HENRIQUE DOS REMEDIOS is authorized to sign our Firm, per procuration, from this day.

J. J. DOS REMEDIOS & Co.

2m 6 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

MR. RUDOLPH JENSEN is admitted a partner in our firm from this date.

JOHN BURD & Co.

1m 12 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

MR. W. H. GOODRICH, Mr. S. E. HUNTINGTON, Mr. H. C. LOW, and Mr. J. C. HEITMANN, are admitted Partners in our Firm.

SMITH, ARCHER & Co.

2m 13 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr. WILLIAM PROSOT in our Firm ceased on the 31st of Dec. 1868, and Mr. OTTO CHRISTIAN BEHN and Mr. JOHANNES P. CORNES are admitted Partners therein from this date.

Mr. F. LANGKOTT and Mr. C. W. SIEGFRIED have been authorized to sign our Firm per procuration.

W. PUSTAU & Co.

6m 14 China, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

MR. CESAR RIDMANN, has been duly authorized to sign our firm, per Procuration, from this date.

LANDSTEIN & Co.

tf 15 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

MR. DHUNJEEBHOY MERWANJEE MEHTA is authorized to sign our Firm from this date.

M. D. GHANDY & Co.

1m 17 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

NOTICE.

MR. H. H. WARDEN is admitted a partner in our firm from this date.

RUSSELL & Co.

tf 2211 China, 1st December, 1869.

MR. PAUL GERHARD BURE and Mr. ALBERT GLUCZOW have been authorized to sign our firm here and in China from this date.

SIEMSSEN & Co.

3m 2063 Hongkong, 1st November, 1869.

NOTICE.

MR. THOMAS H. DE SILVER is admitted a partner in our firm from the 1st of October, 1869.

L. FRIOKEL & Co.

tf 2002 Hongkong, 21st October, 1869.

NOTICE.

WE have this day admitted Mr. BENJAMIN E. GALL as a Partner in our firm.

FAWCETT & Co.

tf 643 Hongkong, 1st April, 1869.

MR. FRITZ RAPP has been duly authorized to sign our firm, per procuration, from this date.

F. BLACKHEAD & Co.

tf 1166 Hongkong, 11th June, 1869.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day established myself as a Public Accountant, Average Adjuster, and General Commission Agent.

C. LANGDON DAVIES.

tf 1243 Hongkong, 1st July, 1868.

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THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamship

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will leave for the above places at 8 A.M. on SUNDAY, the 16th instant.

W. MACAULAY, *Superintendent.*

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, 12th January, 1870. [4d 66

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA.

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"BOMBAY,"

will leave for the above place shortly after the arrival of the next English Mail.

W. MACAULAY, *Superintendent.*

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, 12th January, 1870. [tf 78

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"GANGES,"

will leave for the above place about 24 hours after the arrival of the next English Mail.

W. MACAULAY, *Superintendent.*

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, 12th January, 1870. [tf 79

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamer

"HINDOSTAN,"

Capt. H. de Smidt, will leave for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 18th inst., at 3 P.M.

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6m 1314 Hongkong, 25th October, 1869.

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tf 2270 Hongkong, 1st December, 1869.

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MANILA BEAD WOOD, consisting of MOLAVES, ARANGAS, ARAWGAS, and other descriptions. Apply to

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WIRE ROPE, in the sizes, 1½ to 4 inches.

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39 LOGS Camphor WOOD, Ships' TIMBERS.
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50 double Ships' KNEES, Camphor WOOD.
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" PORT " 2 "
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CHAMPAGNE, of Julien Mumm & Co. and De St. Marceaux & Co., in qts. and pts.
SHERRY, Chillingworth's, Ritchie, London Club, and other brands.
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BOTTLED ALE, of Bass and Allsopp.
STOUT, in quarts and pints.

Also,
Small Invoices of WIRE ROPE, Boiler and Hooding Felt. Apply to

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.

tf 1496 Hongkong, 7th August, 1869.

FOR SALE

Extracts.

A Hater of Mankind.

A month had thus passed a way, when I became aware that the Governor-General, Moosa Pasha, had issued private instructions that I was not to be provided with escorts until he himself, on the opposite side of the river, should be far on his way to Dongola. The Pasha evidently wanted to forestall me in Egypt, to be the first to convey verbally to his Highness, the difference that existed between us relative to the new regulations for the guidance of the White River trade. It was even rumoured that now that I no longer held an official position as H.M. Consul, my life was in danger; but the Pasha, who had not yet left Khartoum, under no circumstances would permit me to reach Cairo before him. Of the atrocity of this man's character I had many experiences, but of his biography, imparte I to me from an unimpeachable quarter, I was unaware. My informant, and the Pasha, in the enjoyment of social intercourse, were one hot noon day smoking their chibouks, when their privacy was intruded on by a poor woman who begged for relief. The Pasha threw a crooked small and coin, a *sheykh*, to her, and the woman handing it back on her worthless, was doubly hurt to see the Pasha pocket it, and with an impression under her cent of his presence. "Why, Pasha, why so severe and penurious, you that are so rich? rejoiced the friend. "Why? yes, you shall hear," said the Pasha, and he told the following:—"I need not tell you I am a Circassian, and in early youth was kidnapped and sold, a slave, to a Turkish grandee, in the Cairo market. I rose to be a soldier in the Egyptian army, I soon became a lieutenant, and in 1833, during the Syrian War under Ibrahim Pasha, for the personal bravery I was made captain. In the hill, three-days' march from St. Jean d'Acre, my regiment was surrounded and destroyed by a battalion of Druses. In the *mêlée*, in conjunction with the remains of another company, the major in command and myself, attempted to cut our way through the enemy, but our *personnel* in the attempt, we were compelled to surrender. In the division of the few prisoners that took place, the major and myself fell to the lot of an Arab chief. Secured each to a stirrup-leather, we were unceremoniously conducted to his home, where for months we were subjected to the vilest treatment that one man can inflict on another—with no covering and but scanty clothing, our bed was on a poor mat in an open shed, whilst hard-worked, beaten, and ill fed, we were treated with contempt. Another burthen was a total privation of tobacco, that we pined for more than bread, and but for the good heart of the chief's wife, who secretly afforded us scanty nourishment, we must have died of starvation. Life became intolerable; and barefoot, we fled, but after two days' wanderings and sufferings we were retaken. Thrashed within an inch of our lives; we were dragged back to our den, and our lot was, if possible, worse than before. We again determined to fly, but this time separately. What became of my companion I know not, but I, one night, arrived before Java. It was occupied by Egyptian troops; and not able to give the pass word when challenged, I was fired at, taken by the patrol, and consigned to prison. On the following day, when asked my account, for myself, my appearance was so haggard and wretched, that my story was disbelieved; a suit of clothes was given to me, and on the receipt of a substantial small sum of money, with three other prisoners I was ordered under escort, to proceed to St. Jean d'Acre. On the way, surprised by Druses, I was again made prisoner and taken into the Hills, in the expectation of a ransom; but nothing forthcoming, in a fortnight I escaped, and succeeded in gaining St. Jean d'Acre a few days before the bombardment. On the retreat to Egypt I again suffered intensely from hunger and distress,—no one cared for me, and, sick of life, can you wonder at my having taken a hatred to mankind, and vowed on each that, whenever in my power, I would distrest, punish, yes, and torture, every individual that with impunity I can? It is some satisfaction for the wrongs that have been inflicted on me, and the pains and indignities that I have suffered. Yes, I repeat, I hate mankind, and I will be revenged."—*Travels in Central Africa. By Mr. and Mrs. Petherick.*

A Frightful Journey.

The morning we left our home in the shed at Abou Hamed, they lifted me into the swinging palanquin which dear Petherick made for me. It was suspended between two camels. In it was placed a mattress with pillows; above, a swing with sliding curtains. Petherick mounted one of our dromedaries, the Shayzi Mahommed the other; these had travelled by land from Khartoum; also my donkey, and a magnificent white donkey purchased by Petherick at Berber. This animal, with two others, had been caught at the mouth of the Atbara; a herd of them having come there to drink were surprised by Arabs, who threw lassoes over them. The live stock consisted of two fine goats, two sheep, and sandy fowls; the latter were placed in a large cage on a camel. The start was happily effected, and Petherick's face beaming radiant as I declared myself so comfortable. I remarked that it was impossible I forthly enjoyed fatigue. All went well until late in the afternoon, when I noticed that the cage in which the fowls were had been turned carelessly and upwards, and the poultry were all in a heap on each other. Calling attention to this circumstance, the fowls were one after another thrown on to the sand; they had been suffocated. There they remained, as the Mahommedans will not eat anything which has not been slaughtered. At sunset a brief halt was allowed, when I was told that my palanquin impeded the march, as the camels carrying it travelled so slowly. Shayzi also said that the few water-skins had leaked considerably, and we might suffer from thirst. I assented to any proposition they made which could benefit others; so the palanquin was stripped of its cover, and in its onde state an unseen was placed on a camel's back. The motion was dreadful; the cloth was too long, and swayed so much, that with my best endeavours it was difficult to endure. Had a small one been made, such a one as Mr. Baker crossed the desert in, with a slight roof which he covered with leaves, it would have been feasible; two of these ones (as it were) belonging to him were at the Consulate on our return from the White River. For hours I thus travelled, moaning piteously, Petherick says; towards morning I remember entreating that they would let me ride my dromedary, which I did. Then for days memory became a blank, and I was always the under impression that we were approaching a high black mountain, which was the end of our journey. I will through which there was no outlet. I took an uncomprehensible hatred to Shayzi Mahommed; to him I unjustly attributed my troubles. My hearing was so painfully intense, that at a great distance I could distinguish voices and words which others heard not, and sometimes long afterwards we would overtake a slowly-moving caravan of slaves. Once where we introduced I traced the imprint of many children's tiny feet, this filled my heart with grief; the tears I shed for the sufferings of these little ones relieved mincown, and I became more rational. We hardly ever rested, as the water quickly diminished; one skin burst and the contents were instantly lost. The night before we reached the wells all were pushing on for them, and we took had been more for hours. I cried out, 'Let me remain behind! I am dying.' Petherick tells me some of the men caught me as I was falling off the dromedary, and that for hours I remained on the sand, the moonlight increasing the pallor of my countenance; with difficulty he overcame the belief, which he had shared with those around, that peace had come at last. The with two or three remained with me, whilst all the others went on to the wells, some soon to return with water, and with milk from kind Bedouins who were there with their cattle. Thus refreshed, I was enabled to continue the journey, and to find at the wells our tents up, a couch ready, and there for hours I slept. I believe we remained a few days at the place. I was quite gay, for and when we again started I was quite gay, for every step taken was one nearer home. However, I soon relapsed into the old moaning and delirious state; the same black wall was ever before me. How many dead and dying camels we passed, a solitary one sound sometimes stagger to its feet, and proceed with once a short distance, then fall and abandoned it to its fate. One of those poor animals I never can forget, I thought it was a skeleton, but the luminous bone shine eyes gazed at us from the spotted head, and yet no one gave it a drink, which I beseeched them to do. We were within a few hours of the river, when I experienced a slight sunstroke. Petherick would not allow me to move for some hours, therefore we remained with two of the servants, another who went on, returned with sweet Nile water and refreshing limes. As we approached Korosko, the reis of the *Entibees* and some of the crew advanced to meet us. After receiving their salutations, I asked how were the birds? the mules of the men disappeared, and they held down their heads. We were soon on board, and there in their cages were my birds, but, with two or three exceptions, all dead. They had been neglected and starved; pigeon Polly, as I have mentioned, was a skeleton; she was alive, though reduced to a skeleton; she remembered me, gave a feeble cry, and was soon nestling in Petherick's hands. A pair of small and exquisite long-tailed doves were also alive. The man could not recover their spirits; Petherick's silence, and my tears, were a reproach more bitter than expressed anger. And now, darling, I must do my very best to get strong and well. Poth. grieves to see the weak state I am in; at times I am very petulant, and he is so patient and forbearing.—*Travels in Central Africa. By Mr. and Mrs Petherick.*

Houses, Lands, Tenements, &c

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TO LET,
With immediate possession.
THE very desirable Business PREMISES, situated in the *Wellington Street*, No. 67. Apply within, to
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In 49 Hongkong, 8th January, 1870.

TO LET.
HOUSE, No. 2, *Peddar's Hill*, containing four large rooms, with complete accomodation for Servants besides. Water and Gas laid on.
Six fire-proof Granite GODOWNS, below *Peddar's Hill*.
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Corner of Gage and Peel Streets.
tf 20 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

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With possession on 1st January next.
THOSE Two HOUSES and OFFICES, Nos. 18 and 20, *Stanley Street*, at present occupied by Messrs. YOUNG, GARDNER & Co. Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
tf 2348 Hongkong, 13th December, 1869.

TO LET.
With possession on 1st January next.
THE very desirable Business PREMISES, situated the corner of *D'Aguilar Street* and *Wellington Street*, at present occupied by Messrs. A. BOSS & Co. Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
tf 2347 Hongkong, 13th December, 1869.

TO LET.
(With immediate possession)
THE commodious HOUSE, in *Pottinger Street*, water and gas laid on, at present occupied by R. EZEKIEL, Esq. Possession from the 17th inst.
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December 13th, 1869. tf 2249

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THAT desirable BUNGALOW, known as "Greenmount," situate on the *Bonham Road*, and till lately in the occupation of C. H. Monsell, Esq.
For Particulars, apply to
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TO LET.
IN West Terrace, *Caine Road*, Nos. 3 and 5, containing Four rooms each, also No. 7, with Five rooms and Garden: Water laid on. Bath rooms, &c. Apply to
THOS. W. BARRINGTON.
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tf 2124 Hongkong, 10th November, 1869.

TO LET.
From the 1st December next.
THE Eligible Residences situated above *Bonham Road*, recently in the occupation of M. ROMAN, Esq.
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ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.
tf 1928 Hongkong, 11th October, 1869.

TO LET.
FIRST-CLASS Granite CODOWNS, at *Wanchai*, from 12 to 30,000 piculs capacity. Apply to
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The houses have recently been painted and put in thorough repair.
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tf 1530 Hongkong, 19th August, 1869

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With immediate possession.
THE HOUSE and OFFICES, No. 4, *Gough Street*, now occupied by Messrs. A. WILKINSON & Co. Apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
tf 1357 Hongkong, 18th October, 1868.

TO LET.
With immediate possession.
NO. 4, Peebill Terrace, *Lyon Street.* Apply to
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
tf 1848 Hongkong, 30th September, 1869.

HOUSES TO LET.
SEVERAL Parts of Hongkong, A list of HOUSES with size, *locality* and *terms* can be seen at No. 47, *Wyndham Street.*
THOS. W. BARRINGTON.
tf 642 Hongkong, 11th March, 1867.

TO LET.
With Possession on the 1st May Next.
THOSE very desirable Business Premises, situated in the *Queen's Road*, and extending to the Praya, at present occupied by Messrs. BOWRA & Co.
This property can be divided into three portions—that in the Praya is detached, and contains—Godowns in the ground and middle floors, with private residence on the upper floor, and separate entrance thereto. The portion abutting on the *Queen's Road*, from its very central position, is admirably adapted for a Shop or Store, having Godowns on the basement floor, and Dwelling Apartment on the upper floor.
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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
tf 426 Hongkong, 1st March, 1869

TO BE LET.
THE very desirable business premises lately occupied by Messrs. LYALL, SCOTT & Co.; a portion of which, are now occupied by Messrs. Rennets & Co.—with large and commodious dwelling-house and extensive Godowns on the *Praya*.
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tf 2344 Hongkong, 16th December, 1868.

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Also, Croquet ground, Flower and Vegetable garden. Apply to
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(With immediate possession.)
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tf 829 Hongkong, 26th April, 1869.

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ROTT. S. WALKER & Co.
tf Hongkong, 4th March, 1867.

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ROB. S. WALKER & Co.
tf 591 Hongkong, 24th March, 1869.

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(With immediate possession).
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tf 1633 Hongkong, 1st September, 1869.

Insurances.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY, SAN FRANCISCO.
THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant POLICIES against Fire on Buildings and Goods, at current rates.
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 366 Hongkong, 7th February, 1867.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAN FRANCISCO.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in China for the above INSURANCE COMPANY, are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine Risks at the Current Rates.
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 578 Hongkong, 2nd March, 1867.

YANG-TSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.
POLICIES granted on *Marine Risks* to all parts of the World, at current rates.
In addition to the usual brokerage, this Association returns to the insured Twenty per cent. *of its yearly profits*, divided *pro rata* to the net premium contributed.
RUSSELL & Co.,
Secretaries.
tf 1030 Hongkong, 1st January, 1870.

BATAVIA SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above-named Company, are prepared to grant Policies against Sea Risks at current rates.
RUSSELL & Co.
tf 1022 Hongkong, 1st April, 1869.

NOTICE.
QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding	1 month	½ per cent.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding	3 "	1 "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding	6 "	1½ "

Above 6 months the full annual rate.
MORGAN, LAMBERT & Co.,
Agents the Queen Insurance Company.
tf 954 Hongkong, 22nd May, 1868.

NOTICE.
BRITISH AND FOREIGN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Insurance Company are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine risks at Current Rates. Policies can be made payable at all the principal ports throughout the world.
MORGAN LAMBERT & Co.,
Agents.
tf 2118 Hongkong, 7th November, 1869.

NOTICE.
ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE annual rates for Fire Insurance on the various classes of Buildings and their contents will remain as follows until further notice, viz:—

Detached and semi-detached Dwelling Houses (removed from the town) and their contents.	½ per cent.
Other Dwelling Houses (similarly situated) and their contents	½ percent.
Offices and Godowns and their contents.	1 per cent.
Other Risks by Special arrangement.	

The following rates will be charged for SHORT PERIOD Policies:—

Not exceeding 10 days	10 per cent.	
Not exceeding.....	1 month	½ per cent.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding.....	3 "	½ "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding.....	6 "	1 "
Above 6 months, the full annual rate.		

ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
tf 1733 Hongkong, 13th September, 1869.

HAMBURG BREMEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding Ten days	of the annual rate	
Not exceeding 1 month	½	do do
Above 1 month, and not exceeding three months	½	do do
Above 3 months, and not exceeding six months...	½	do do
Above six months the full annual rate.		

WM. FRUEHAUF & Co., *Agents.*
tf 1667 Hongkong, 30th August, 1869.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
INTRODUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.
UNTIL further notice the following Annual Rates will be charged for Fire Insurance, viz:—

Detached & semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from town, and their contents.	½	per cent.
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Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their contents.	½	do. do.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents Imperial Fire Insurance Company.
tf 864 Hongkong, 7th March, 1868.

NOTICE.
IMPERIAL FIRE OFFICE.
FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding Ten days	of the annual rate	
Above 1 month, and not exceeding.....	3 "	½ do. do.
Above 3 months and not exceeding.....	6 "	½ do. do.
Above 6 months the full annual rate.		

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents Imperial Fire Insurance Company.
tf 677 Hongkong, 12th August, 1869.

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FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged on Short Period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding	1 month	½ of the annual rate.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding.....	3 "	½ do. do.
Above 3 months and not exceeding.....	6 "	½ do. do.
Above 6 months the full annual rate.		

GILMAN & Co., *Agents.*
North British & Mercantile Insurance Company
tf 896 Hongkong, 7th April 1868.

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AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.
tf 1351 Hongkong, 7th June, 1867.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE CO.
FOR Insuring Houses and other Buildings, Goods, Wares, Merchandise, Manufacturing and Farming Stock, Ships in Port, Harbours, or Dock, and the Cargoes of such Ships; also, Ships Building and Repairing; Barges and other Vessels on Navigable Rivers and Canals, and Goods on board such Vessels, throughout Great Britain and Ireland, and in FOREIGN COUNTRIES, FROM LOSS OR DAMAGE BY FIRE.
The Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of $50,000 on any one First Class Risk.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1867.

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Messrs. DALGETY, RATTRAY & Co.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
tf Hongkong, 21st January, 1868.

LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.
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THE Undersigned are authorised to issue Life Policies for sums not exceeding £5,000.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
tf 1959 Hongkong, 15th October, 1868.

NOTICE.
LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.
THE following rates will in future be charged on SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding	1 month	½ per cent.
Above one month, and not exceeding.....	3 "	½ "
Above three months, and not exceeding.....	6 "	1 "
Above six months, the full annual rate.		

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.
tf 687 Hongkong, 8th April, 1868.

NOTICE.
MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.
THE following rates will be charged in future for SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding	1 month	½ per cent.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding	3 "	½ "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding	6 "	1 "
Above 6 months the full annual rate.		

The following rates will be charged for SHORT PERIOD Policies:—

Not exceeding 10 days	10 per cent.	
Not exceeding.....	1 month	½ per cent.
Above 1 month, and not exceeding.....	3 "	½ "
Above 3 months, and not exceeding.....	6 "	1 "
Above 6 months, the full annual rate of 1		

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.
tf 693 Hongkong, 7th April, 1868.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.
THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at Current Rates.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
tf 1958 Hongkong, 15th October, 1868.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.
THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above CORPORATION are prepared to grant FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE on the usual terms.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
tf 3002 Hongkong, 27th December, 1867.

AMICABLE INSURANCE OFFICE.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Insurance Office, are prepared to accept MARINE RISKS and issue Policies on any Ships Sailing, Vessels or Boats on the usual terms, payable in case of loss, in China, Singapore, Calcutta, Bombay or London.
ROBT. S. WALKER & Co.
tf Hongkong, 8th October, 1863

NOTICE.
SUN FIRE OFFICE.
FROM and after this date the following rates will be charged on SHORT PERIOD Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding	1 month	½ of the annual rate
Above 1 month but not exceeding	3 "	½ do. do.
Above 3 months but not exceeding	6 "	½ do. do.
Above 6 months the full annual rate.		

A. G. HOGG & Co.
Agents, Sun Fire Office.
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